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SCIENCE CENTER ANNOUNCES NEW SLATE OF ENGAGING FIELD TRIP OPPORTUNITIES

OPTIONS INCLUDE MUMMIES OF THE WORLD, NEW CAREER-FOCUSED EVENTS, EDUCATIONAL FILMS, AND MORE

PITTSBURGH, September 12, 2019 — As summer comes to an end and students return to the classroom, Carnegie Science Center announces several brand-new field trip opportunities for students in grades K–12.

With hundreds of interactive exhibits on four floors, exciting science demonstrations and Buhl Planetarium shows, and activities in Highmark SportsWorks[®], teachers can design a custom Science Center field trip for their students that ties directly into their curriculum and educational goals. In addition, exciting traveling exhibitions, educational films in The Rangos Giant Cinema, and

Mummies of the World: The Exhibition

Science, history, culture, and intrigue collide in *Mummies of the World: The Exhibition*, on display starting Oct. 5, 2019 through April 19, 2020. With a field trip to this blockbuster exhibition, students will explore the scientific study of mummies and the cultural insights that science helps expose. *Mummies of the World* tells the story of mummies and mummification through and state-of-the-art multimedia and cutting-edge 3D animation. This 4,500-year journey lets students explore the mummies' history and origins as well as how they were created, both through natural and intentional practices. The Science Center offers a *Mummies of the World* Educator Guide to supplement field trips and help teachers expand learning beyond the museum.

Educational films bring learning to Pittsburgh's largest screen

The Rangos Giant Cinema brings curriculum to life with an educational movie library that covers a diverse mix of key subjects. Current popular titles include *Apollo 11: First Steps Edition*, an immersive documentary chronicling the first manned lunar mission; *Backyard Wilderness 3D*, which explores the wildlife found in a suburban backyard over the course of one year; and *America's Musical Journey 3D*, which traces the roots of American music in cities where jazz, the blues, country, soul, and rock and roll

were born. The highly anticipated *Superpower Dogs 3D* — an immersive adventure into the life-saving superpowers and extraordinary bravery of some of the world's most amazing dogs — opens Nov. 23, 2019.

SciTech expands workshop offerings

This year's <u>SciTech</u> on Nov. 13–15, 2019 will offer more workshops than ever before, with a total of 14 cutting-edge workshops tailored for middle and high school students. SciTech introduces students in grades 6–12 to the growing science and technology industries in Pittsburgh and emphasizes cross-curricular learning, real-world connections, and career awareness. New workshops this year include Sports + STEM, Nuclear Energy: Separating Fact and Fission, CSI in a Nutshell: The Art and Science of Crime Science Investigation (presented by Duquesne University), and Bioprospecting for Biofuel Enzymes (presented by University of Pittsburgh Department of Biological Sciences).

Elementary students can embark on a STEM Adventure

<u>STEM Adventure</u>, a new field trip event for students in grades 1–5, will be held on March 11–13, 2020. Led by Carnegie Science Center staff and professionals from local universities and companies, students will explore STEM learning in a whole new way through special live demonstrations, Buhl Planetarium shows, and the many activities on all four floors of the Science Center.

About Carnegie Science Center

Carnegie Science Center is dedicated to inspiring learning and curiosity by connecting science and technology with everyday life. By making science both relevant and fun, the Science Center's goal is to increase science literacy in the region and motivate young people to seek careers in science and technology. One of the four Carnegie Museums of Pittsburgh, the Science Center is Pittsburgh's premier science exploration destination, reaching more than 700,000 people annually through its hands-on exhibits, camps, classes, and off-site education programs.

Accessibility: Features for All

Carnegie Science Center welcomes all visitors. We work to assist visitors with disabilities in obtaining reasonable and appropriate accommodations, and in supporting equal access to services, programs, and activities. We welcome visitors in wheelchairs on the deck of our USS Requin (SS 481) submarine. Below-deck visits require full mobility. Hearing assistance devices are available for The Rangos Giant Cinema. Please ask when you buy your ticket.

Please note that requests for accommodations should be made at least two weeks prior to your visit. For specific questions about wheelchairs, strollers, or other programmatic or equipment needs, see the ticket counter located on the first floor of the main building or contact Customer Service at 412.237.1641 or info@CarnegieScienceCenter.org. Please contact Carnegie Museums of Pittsburgh's Accessibility Coordinator with concerns regarding accessibility for visitors with disabilities at the museums. On weekdays, call 412.622.6578 or email accessibility@CarnegieMuseums.org.

About Carnegie Museums of Pittsburgh

Established in 1895 by Andrew Carnegie, Carnegie Museums of Pittsburgh is a collection of four distinctive museums: Carnegie Museum of Art, Carnegie Museum of Natural History, Carnegie Science Center, and The Andy Warhol Museum. In 2018, the museums reached more than 1.4 million people through exhibitions, educational programs, outreach activities, and special events.

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